

Today, as we mark Dr. Garfinkel's retirement, it is my hope that he knows that his commitment to ending poverty—from the research centers he has founded to his unparalleled catalog of work—will most certainly stand as a legacy that will continue to inspire new generations of social workers, economists, policy makers and advocates. It is with my deepest thanks and appreciation that I rise today to extend my heartfelt congratulations to Dr. Irwin Garfinkel on his retirement, and wish him many more years of health and happiness as he begins this new life chapter.

RECOGNITION OF THE EGYPT-U.S. PARTNERSHIP

HON. C. A. DUTCH RUPPERSBERGER

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

Mr. RUPPERSBERGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the fruitful United States-Egypt partnership. The year 2022 marks 100 years of diplomatic relations between our two nations. As co-chair of the U.S. House of Representatives' Friends of Egypt Caucus, I believe it is of paramount importance that we commemorate this partnership rooted in shared commitments to peace, stability and prosperity. As such, I include in the RECORD this Newsweek article, entitled "Let's Continue to Strengthen the Egypt-U.S. Partnership" published on April 18, 2022, and penned by Ambassador of Egypt to the United States, Mr. Motaz Zahran. In this piece, Ambassador Zahran details how cooperation between the U.S. and Egypt has bolstered multilateral support for Ukraine, strengthened counterterrorism efforts in the Middle East and enabled COVID-19 care to reach vulnerable populations.

As President Joe Biden and leaders on Capitol Hill manage the geopolitical crisis in Ukraine, the Egypt-U.S. national security partnership recently came into the national spotlight. In the U.S. Congress, an overwhelming majority of U.S. decision makers once again recognized the importance of strategic allies such as Egypt and approved the sale of aircrafts and military hardware that will allow Egypt and the U.S. to undertake missions in the interests of both countries, working toward achieving stability in the Middle East and North Africa.

This latest sale debated in Congress specifically concentrated on C-130 military transport airplanes. Egypt already possesses a fleet of those airframes previously obtained from the U.S. However, like all military hardware, those airplanes have a shelf life and need constant refurbishment and replacement. It is therefore logical to be looking at our partners in the U.S. for that, especially given the central role the C-130 plays in our common interests.

Egyptian C-130s carried 35,000 Egyptian troops to stand shoulder-to-shoulder with American troops liberating Kuwait during the 1990s. In 2003, the same fleet carried an Egyptian field hospital to Bagram airbase in Afghanistan, providing medical services to both the alliance personnel as well as Afghan people. The fleet of C-130 have carried Egyptian peacekeepers deployed to some of the most dangerous hotspots in the world at a great danger to themselves, and unfortunately with several casualties including most recently in Mali a few short weeks ago.

The C-130s have also allowed us to provide urgently needed humanitarian assistance to disaster zones in Sudan, Somalia and deliver masks and personal protection gears to the U.S. medical community during the worse days of the outbreak of COVID-19. We hope to do more as we replenish our fleet. But those aircrafts are not the only fruits of cooperation between our two militaries.

The Egyptian military is also actively involved in supporting the safe passage of U.S. naval vessels through the Suez Canal. One of our core responsibilities is to safeguard navigation in the Suez Canal—through which 12 percent of global trade flows. Our commitment to providing maritime security extends to the Mediterranean and Red Seas, where we actively work with partners to safeguard the flow of commerce.

The depth of the Egypt-U.S. military partnership is exemplified by Exercise Bright Star, which witnesses hundreds of U.S. military personnel join their Egyptian counterparts in what is regarded as the most significant biennial military exercise in the Middle East and Mediterranean region. Egypt, the U.S. and our allies are ready to respond swiftly to crises in the region together because of these exercises.

Egypt has committed itself to being a secure and stable country despite the turmoil in nearby states. The Egyptian military has been successful in fighting terrorist offshoots of ISIS and acts as a deterrent force against would-be aggressors. Civil conflict has plagued Yemen, Syria and Libya while Egypt remains a stable and prosperous country. Moreover, our stability and security has enabled us to play a leading role in pushing for elections in Libya and calling for the expulsion of foreign mercenaries who only cause chaos and suffering.

The Egyptian government has taken substantial strides to advance and promote human rights. In the past few months, Egypt launched its first ever National Strategy for Human Rights, a blueprint that puts forward a comprehensive approach to advance human rights. Laws advancing women's rights and providing opportunities for their equal participation in civic society have been introduced—we are moving forward and setting an example for the region. The State of Emergency, which was necessary to quell terrorism in the country, has been suspended. This is in large part due to the successful cooperation between Egypt and the U.S. in disrupting terrorist networks on our borders. New laws that facilitate the work of local and foreign NGOs operating in Egypt, as well as moves to promote religious freedom, will build a pluralistic civil society that is secure and stable for all Egyptians. Egypt's rock-solid commitment to its people resonates and reverberates at each crossroad.

In an era of great power competition, instability in Eastern Europe, tensions in the Indo-Pacific region and proliferation concerns in the Middle East, we welcome the bipartisan support of the U.S. Congress as work to replenish our aging military equipment.

TRIBUTE TO DR. C. WARREN DERRICK, JR.

HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 14, 2022

Mr. CLYBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to Dr. C. Warren Derrick, Jr. Born in Mullins, SC and raised in Marion.

Dr. Derrick was the eldest son of Helen and Warren Derrick, Sr. After graduating from Marion High School as president of the student body in 1954, he entered Wofford College where he was a member of Blue Key and President of Kappa Sigma fraternity. He graduated in 1958.

Deciding on a career in medicine, he matriculated at the Medical College of South Carolina, graduating in 1962. While in medical school, he married Ann Marie Berry of Spartanburg.

After completing a rotating internship at Greenville Memorial Hospital, he was inducted into the U.S. Army as a Captain in the Medical Corps and stationed in Nuremberg, Germany. He served for 2 years as Battalion Surgeon for the 34th Artillery, 2nd AC. He was discharged in 1965 and accepted a position with Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Michigan as a physician in their student health center for one year. In 1966, he started a 2-year pediatric residency at the University of Alabama Medical Center in Birmingham, Alabama which was followed by a 3-year fellowship in pediatric infectious disease at the Children's Hospital of Alabama.

Upon the completion of his fellowship, he was appointed Assistant Professor of Pediatrics. He rose to Associate Professor in 1975 and served as Director of Outpatient Services at the Children's Hospital. It was during their 10 years in Birmingham that their 3 children were born.

Dr. Derrick returned to South Carolina and accepted a position with Sumter Pediatrics in Sumter in January 1977. After 10 months in private practice, he was offered, and he accepted, a faculty position with the fledgling new medical school in Columbia as Professor of Pediatrics and Chair of the Department of Pediatrics, University of South Carolina School of Medicine—a position he was to hold for the next 29 years.

During his tenure with Children's Hospital and the medical school, he was instrumental in the growth and development of the pediatric department and establishment of the state's first free-standing children's hospital. Under his leadership, the department developed a national reputation for its educational excellence and patient care. He retired in 2007.

His many honors include distinguished alumni/service awards from the Children's Hospital of Alabama, USC School of Medicine, and Wofford College; The Presidential Merit Award, MUSC; William Weston Distinguished Service Award, Department of Pediatrics, USC School of Medicine; and the Order of the Palmetto, State of South Carolina.

He was predeceased by Ann, his wife of 58 years. Surviving are his 3 children: Andrea Derrick Truitt (Chip), Hope Derrick (Marc Turner), and Scott Derrick (Melissa); six grandchildren: Abby, Shelby, and Rachel Truitt; Ethan and Emery Turner; and Tripp Derrick, all of Columbia. He is also survived by his brother Bill Derrick (Jo) of Myrtle Beach and was predeceased by his sister, Susan Derrick of Palatka, Florida.

Madam Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in celebrating the life and legacy of Dr. C. Warren Derrick, Jr.